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Ovster-Criterion Stamp Mill. Con pressor and Aerial Tram Are in Successful Operation.

Expert Mining Men Say They Ne ver Saw a Mill Give Better Setiefection

The long delay in starting the newly installed works at the Oyster-Criterion mine at Camborne, caused by the tard-iness of the manufacturers in shipping the necessary water pipes, came to an end on Tuesday of last week, when all preliminary arrangements were com-Street touched the button, figuratively speaking, and the different works wer set in motion. In a few minutes the aerial tram was carrying down the rich free gold ore from the Oyster dumps above, and as the buckets descended to the ore bins at the mill at the base of the mountain, they were dumped, and on they moved with the precision of clockwork on the endless wire cable back to the mine, one and a quarter back to the mine, one and a quarter miles up the steep mountain, to be re-filled as they passed through the upper terminal, and down again. At the same time the mill started,

At no same time the mill started, and its ten stamps were soon dropping with great tapidity and orushing the ore to a pulp. As the ore is crushed to the required fineness, a stream of water passes through, carrying off the silmes, as they are produced, to the plates where the precious gold is sayed and the base matter carried away by the the base matter carried away by the water. The stamps are of great weight and are arranged in a row, and are raised by means of wipers and cams on a revolving shaft turned by water power. The cams release the stamps in turn and they fall on the ore lying in chambers below, the sides of these chambers being perforated to allow the chambers being perforated to allow the escape of the crushed ore as soon as reduced to the required fineness. Slimes are thus produced, which, as stated above, are carried by means of a stream of water to the plates below. The ore is fed to the stamms from an inclined platform at the rear. The feed ing is automatic. It is customary for the stames to the constantly day and stamps to drop constantly day and night, and this practice will be follow-ed at the Oyster-Criterion, which, by the way, is one of the excellent proper ties belonging to the Great Northern Mines, Limited.

Messrs. Crilly, assistant manager of the company, S. A. Sutherland, a di-rector, and A. P. Garrett, superintend ent of the Nettie L. mine, and an Eagle ent of the Nettle L. mine, and an Eagle representative were present when the combined machinery was started. Speaking to the Eagle reporter of the marked excellence with which every-thing started, Mr. Crilly said: "The machinery started as if it had been running a month. I was surprised at everything running so perfectly on the start, and it cortainly reflects great credition Mr. Streak." credit on Mr. Street.'

When Mr. S. Sutherland was asked for his views he said, "Well editor, I have seen all kinds of machinery run-ning, and although I must confess I am not experienced in the running of quartz mills, I will say I never did see machinery run so smoothly and perfect-ly. I will say also that our whole Oyster-Criterion experience is a de-monstration of "Billy" Pool's unerring monstration of "Billy" Pool's unerring judgment. First in selecting the undeveloped mining property, then in purchasing machinery, and again in choosing; a capable man to dinstall it. I refer of course to A. G. Streef, who had full charge of installing stamp mill and compressor. As far as I ram personally concerned I feel more than satisfied; I am delighted."

The next person to be asked was A superintendent of the Net tie L., of Ferguson, who has had extensive experience in quartz mills in the Black Hills, in southern Idaho, and other places. He said, "Well, yes, I have had considerable experience with mit's and also with compressors. I did not go over to Camborne in a critical spirit, yet I was surprised at the excel-lent manner in which everything started. I have no hesitation in saving that the mill is a good one, and also that it works first class. In fact, I have never in all my experience seen a mill work better. Everything as far as I can see has been perfectly planned, and the workmanship and installation are just as thoroughly executed."

We believe we voice the sentiments of every man in the Lardeau when we express our gratification with the way things are going at the Oyster-Criterion things are going at the Oyster-Criterion mine, and we believe the Great North-ern Mines have in it a bonazza property, and one that will turn in large and frequent dividends to the fortunate shareholders. We wish, however to add before closing this article, our quota of commendation to the ex-cellent ability of Mr. A. G. Street, who designed the plant and installed the machinery at the above mentioned mine. We will also back up Mr. Sutherland's statement that the manager, Mr. Pool, does seem to possess great powers of discornment in judging mining pro-perties, machinery, and last if not least, men. We believe his judgment of men has above everything else been the means of his achieving the almost marvellous success that has attended his efforts since he began his mining operations in the Lardeau 10 years

A Regina Pioneer Dead.

A despatch from Regina dated Nov 26th states that Major George A. Mont-gomery, one of the pioneers of Regina, died here that morning after an illness of some months. He was born in Leeds county, Ontario, nearly 80 years ago. In 1849 he joined the "rush" to Cali-fornia, coming to the Colorado desert at the head of a party of 70 daring young men. Later, he practised law at Merricksville. Ontario. He twice un-successfully contested Leeds county in the conservative interest for the

commons.

-Major Montgomery was for many years Registrar of Land Titles at Regins, and was chiefly instrumental in introducing the Torrens system of regis-tration into the North West Territories. He was an able lawyer. The editor of the Eagle spent two years as clerk in

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Mining is the cleanest, most legitl mate and best-paying business on earth. You are not taking the money from your neighbor's bank account and adding it to your own, thereby growing rich only as fast as your neighbor grows poor. But, you are extracting the wealth a wise providence has deposited in mother earth to the credit of those who are willing to open an account with nature's great storehouse of wealth, with their brain and muscle. You cash your checks at nature's great safety deposit checks at nature's great safety deposit vaults, and the more you draw out the more wealth you have added to the world Opportunity Hesequally within the reach of all. The power to see it is the difference in men To lessen this difference is the duty of every man. To do this one must keep his hand on the pulse of the world—sense its movement pole of the world—sense its movement and measure every opportunities of the Southern Pacific were open to the World. Stanford alone saw them, and twenty million dollars was his reward. Wealth is largely a matter of oppor-tunity. This is pours. What Stanford won from the wilderness of the West is but a heavaille to the vaster waith but a bagatelle to the vaster wealth that lies in the mountains of the Paci-fic Northwest.

The Legislature of British Columbia Was Opened Nov. 26th with the ITsual Formalities

Speech from the Throne Details Plan of Legislation. Provincial Finances to be first Dealt With.

The first session of the tenth British Columbia parliament was formally opened on Thursday of last week with the usual brilliant ceremony attending such functions. The day was wet, thus giving a damp outward reception to the new government, but the opening cerreception to the emonies were none the less hearty, and everything passed pleasantly. An un-usually large crowd of guests were present, notwithstanding the dulnes of the day.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Covernor was attended by an imposing naval and military staff, also by his A.D.C., Captain Drake, and his private secretary, Mr. R. B. Powell, and by a guard of honor from the Fifth Regiment.

After the members of the house were in their places, His Honor entered the chamber and took his seat on the throne. Hon. Premier McBride rose and made a few remarks relative to the election of a speaker, after which his Honor left the chambers. On motion of Mr. J. C. Cotton, Richmond, seconded by Mr. Charles Munro, Chilliwack, Mr. C. E. Pooley, member for Esquimalt, was unanimously elected speaker, and after being escorted to his chair, His Honor the Lieut.-Governor re-entered Honor the Lieut.-Governor re-entered the chamber and took his seat on the throne. The Hon. Speaker-elect thanked the members for the honor shown him. The Hon. Mr. McBride then said:

Mr. Speaker: I am commanded by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor to de clare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the House of Assembly to His Majesty's person and government, and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions, will re-cognise and allow, their constitutional privileges. I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honor upon all seasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and and actions, will constantly receive construction.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor ther graciously delivered the Collowing speech:

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly: I have much pleasure in welcoming you to the first session of the tenth parliament of Brit ish Columbia.

"Our financial affairs demand mos earnest consideration on your part, and I appeal, with hope, to your patriotism and your love for the province whose future destinies, under God, are in your hands. There is no reason why British Columbia, with its great natur al resources, should not occupy in the Dominion of Canada a position of which we may all be justly proud.

"You have therefore been convened thus early in order that my finance minister may be enabled to make such fiscal arrangements as may be neces

"Having in view the immediate re quirements of the country and the fa-vorable conditions for obtaining a furvorable conditions for obtaining a intra-ther loan in the loadedy market, you will be asked to authorize the issue of Treasury warrants extending over a short period of years, and repayable in annual installments.

"A considerable increase of revenue each year will in consequence be neces sary, not only to meet ordinary expenditure, but to provide for the redemption of warrants. The legislation proposed will therefore include a new Assessment Act, and amendments to the Land Act, the Railway Assessment Act and the School Act

As part of the plan of financial recon struction, substantial economies in the civil service have already been effected and material reductions in the expend iture on public works brought about. These will be continued with a due regard to the requirements of the province.

"My government has already taken up the proposed re-adjustment of the financial relations between the province and the Dominion, as also the question of control of our fisheries and the regulation of alien immigration. These subjects will be earnestly and persistently pressed to a settlement satisfact-ory to the province.

"As a result of the recent decision in the Alaska Boundary enquiry, a strong feeling exists in favor of an all-Canadian route into the Yukon and Northern British Columbia, and my government will co-operate in any reasonable efforts which may be made to bring about the construction of such a railway.

"I am pleased to note the probability of the construction, at an early date not only of another Canadian transcor tinental system having its terminus on the Pacific ocean, but also of other important lines within our province.

"You will be pleased to know that the British Columbia Immigration Act passed last session has been successful in excluding undesirable immigrants.

"I now leave you to your delibera tions, trusting that they ma/ receive the Divine blessing and result in much benefit to the province."

Down to Business.

On the members assembling at the ouncil chamber on the following day, which was marked as the first day's business of the session, Mr. Macdonald, member for Rossland and leader of the opposition, took an early opportunity rise and ask the premier if he had any explanation to make regarding re cent changes in the cabinet, and why he had passed over in those selections the hon, member for Nelson city. The premier answered he would be pleased o answer the questions at the proper time.

Harry Wright of Ymir moved the adoption of the address in reply to the speech from the throne, making a very good speech, and W. R. Ross, member for Fernie, made an equally good speech in seconding the motion.

Hon. Mr. Wilson then moved the se ond reading of the " act to amend the evidence act.'

Hon. Mr. Tatlow presented the following bills: "The Treasury Debenture Loan Act," "The Assessment Act, 1903," "The Railway Assessment Act, 1903 " The Coal Tax Act, 1900, amend nt Act, 1903."

Hon. Mr- Green submitted the follow ing bills: "The Land Assessment Act 1903." "The Coal mines Amendment Act. 1903."

All these bills received a first reading, and were passed to committee of the whole with Mr. Clifford in the

New Mining Company.

Charles W. McCrossar, of Los Anreles, Cal., well known in connection with the formation of the Metropolitan Mining Co. of Ferguson, has acquired the Alma group, situated about 3 miles above the Oyster-Criterion on Pool Creek. The Alma has a good showing of ore and a fine lead, and it will in all probability develop into a rich mine.

THE LARDEAU AND ITS DOINGS.

Condensed Items of Interest from Camborne, Poplar, and other Points in the District.

Trout Lake Will Flave a Skating Rink. Other Places Getting Modern Improvements.

The Eagle's correspondents again take to the quill, and send in a grist of newsy items. The Lardean towns are shown to be growing and getting needul improvements.

We learn that a company has been formed at Troat Lake to build and maintain a skating rink. A rink is a very good place to get needful exercise, which is essential to health, where one cannot get about freely during winter on account of deep snow.

Poplar City. /From ou on Cont

Fully a foot of snow lies on the townsite, this rather improves the appearance of the town, for many logs and stumps are covered.

B. Crilly, assistant manager of the Great Northern Mines, returned from Camborne Monday. He will remain at the Lucky Jack during the week.

The tunnel on the Lucky Jack is now in considerably over 200 feet, and the ore in lead continues to give excellent assay returns. Work is being contin-ued on the Swede group in the crossentunnel, which is now apout 60 feet from the surface. There ought to be some-thing good to report in the Eagle when the vein is tapped.

The sixth hotel for this town is about

completed, and will be opened with a grand dance near Xmas.

The residents feel quite encouraged since the C.P.R. Company have declared their intention of keeping the railway running all winter if it is at all possible. We see no reason why it cannot be done, for appearances point to an open winter.

Camborne Items.

The waterworks system of the town is complete, and water will be supplied as soon as some little pipe fixtures arrive from Rossland that were overloofed

when the piping was shipped.

J. A. Darragh has become very prominent in mining circles, particularly since the early fall. He put through a deal some weeks since of considerable magnitude, and last week he concluded a deal by which the Del Rey comes un-der his control. He has sent a force of men to the property, where they will carry on development all winter. Not much has been learned of late re-

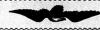
varding the rich Beatrice, but it is hoped there will be considerable ore rawhided out during the winter.

F. C. Elliott, barrister, of Trout Lake, vas instrumental in causing joy to the hearts of many of the boys about town by reason of his arrival in town ten days since with a pocketful of money, representing twenty-five hundred dollars which was a rid ars, which was paid out to the creditors of the Northwestern Development Syndicate, thus freeing this company from indebtedness.

The Northwestern Syndicate's stamp mill was again started. The company do not hope to run it longer than about a fortnight, or only long enough to treat the ore that was left on hand at the time of the close down last summer. The company hope, however, to start ap again permanently in the early spring.
The Oyster-Criterion stamp mill and

compressor were started yesterday with compressor were scarced yesterday with most satisfactory results. Mr. A. G. Street, who installed the machinery, is receiving the congratulations of the company's officials on his good work-manship.

Lardeau Eagle the province, and for this reason we



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EMINENTLY SATISFACTORY

It will prove highly satisfactory to many readers of the Eagle who happen to be shareholders in the Great Northern Mines, Limited, to peruse our first page article on the starting of the quartz mill, compressor and aerial tram at the Oyster-Criterion mine, and the splendid manner in which the ma-chinery has been installed. This event marks another mile post gained by this ever successful coterie of Lardeau mining operators who have had to do with the formation of the Great Northern Mines and who have fostered the corporation through its infancy, when all was outlay, with nothing coming in to replenish the treasury, and extensive development was being carried forward.

It will be exceedingly gratifying to these gentlemen in particular who have repeatedly been forced to plunge deeply into their pockets, to enable the work of mine making to be continued until the tide turned and gold began to flow the other These gentlemen showed courage, yet they had abundant confidence. So we say the good news that the large and expensive plant, which they saw fit to have installed, works so satisfactorily will be most gratifying, and it is news that they deserve to get.

Again, it will be satisfactory to these gentlemen and to the ordinary shareholders as well, to learn that the ore that is being treated, fro. the dumps, that showed so well under the assay test, is proving when treated in bulk by the mill to give even better results than the most sanguine of the officials hoped for. This is after one week's mill run, and figuring approximately what gold was on the plates.

PARLIAMENT IN SESSION.

The first Legislative Assembly for the province of British Columbia, whose members were elected on s raight party lines, convened in the council halls at Victoria on Thursday, Nov. 26th. So far as one can judge with accuracy up to this time, the Conservative government, as led by Hon. Richard McBride, will be able to retain a majority in the house and to control the treasury benches for the next four years. A perusal of the speech from the throne will reveal that the government has no pet hobbies in the way of legislation on the boards, and no innovations are to be sprung, at least nothing in the way of questionable measures. Judging by the outline of the speech, it looks as it the government was making an honest effort to improve conditions in look to see the opposition lend every assistance that can be expected.

A bill is before the house to authorise the issue of Treasury Warrants for immediate relief of the country's bank credit. The speech says among other things: "There is no reason why British Columbia with its great natural resources should not occupy in the Dominior of Canada a position of which we may all be justly proud." That is very true, and there is but one reason why the province does not today occupy that most enviable position: that is on account of the undoubted greed that characterized nany of the members of former legislatures. We all feel that under the improved conditions the coun try's affairs will receive business-like management, and we think a good start has been made along this line.

It is most gratifying to observe that the new government proposes to deal at once with the condition that has arisen which necessitates the construction of an all rail route to the Yukon country, for by taking the initiative in this important mat ter great advantage will naturally accrue to the province in having a voice regarding the location of the line and its terminals.

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Local and General.

Duke Champagne was over from Cam-C. D. Edwards entertained his lady

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Thos. Taylor, M.P.P for Revelstoke riding, has been elected government The masquerade ball, held last night

in the Alexander hall, was a great success.

There is excellent sleighing all over the Lardeau. The stages get into Ferguson on time.

The Alpha group, just back of Fer guson, has been sold to an English company.

S. H. Kruger, representative of the Scranton schools, is in Ferguson collecting and soliciting.

The weather is simply fine in this district, which is very helpful for outside work that is being done. Miss Annie Williams returned from

Fire Valley on Friday night. She will remain in Ferguson for the winter. J. Blackburn was down from Five Mile on Wednesday night. He said things were going in fine shape in camp.

Building operations are going on nice ly at Five Mile, and the compressor buildings will be inclosed in less than

a fortnight. B. Crilly returned from Camborne Saturday, after having witnessed the starting of the stamp mill and

Messrs. Gunn & Wisener of the Imperial Hotel, Camborne, have dissolved partnership. Robt. Gunn will continue the business.

Phil O'Connor of Poplar was a visit-or to Ferguson on Friday last, He reports that there is no cessation of activity in the gold town as yet.

The Northwestern syndicate has been re-organized under the name of the Gold Finch Mining Co., Ltd., with a capitalization of \$500,000 with shares

Mr. R. Reeves, J. V. Reeves' father, of Eganville, Ont., arrived in town Tuesday night to visit his son, who still lies very ill in the Miners' Union hospital.

D. McEachern, of Rossland, visited Poplar Thursday of last week, and came into Ferguson Saturday. On Monday he went to Camborne to visit the Oyster-Criterion.

G. R. Northey has purchased the Camborne Miner from the Miner P. & P. Co. In the valedictory article it is stated that the paper has been run at a loss from the beginning.

On Nov. 30th in the Victoria house On Nov. 30th in the Victoria house now in session, McDonald of Rossland, leader of the opposition, attacked the 2 per cent mineral tax. McBride pro-mised that if a good substitute for de-riving revenue from mines were pre-sented the government would be pleased to adopt it. to adopt it.

Mr. D. John, assayer for the Great Western and Silver Cup mining com-panies of Ferguson, will write at Vict-oria next week in the examination for assayers for license to practise in the province of British Columbia. Mr. John is an assayer of Great experience, having been employed at Swansea, Wales, the Lake of the Woods, and numerous other places.

The Kaslo Smelter

The Vancouver World of recent date had an article discrediting the Kaslo smelter proposition. The writer took pains to show why in his opinion the project was not feasible, and characterproject was not feasible, and character-ised reports to the contrary as merely hot air. The party seemed to think it abourd for a smelter to be built in Kas-to that would have a larger treating capacity than the Everett and other big capacity than the Everett and other oig United States smelters. This merely shows the gross ignorance of the writer regarding conditions and ore bodies in the interior of B C., for there are sin-gle mines not far from Kaslo that have sufficient ore blocked out to keep the sufficient ore blocked out to keep the Everett smelter running constantly for two years. The reason such mines are not shipping is because they are too far from a smelter, and the rate for trans-portation and treatment would be too

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